

## AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Small Entity)

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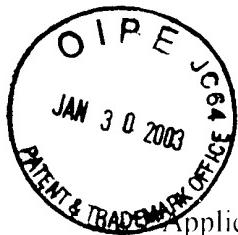
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Dear Sir:

AMENDMENT

Please enter the following amendment in response to the Office Action dated August 30, 2002.

DRAWING

Applicant submits herewith proposed drawing corrections to Figs. 1, 3, 4 and 5, wherein one of the reference characters of "76" has been corrected to - 78 - in Fig. 1, an extraneous lead line has been deleted from Fig. 3, and the reference character "76a" has been added to Figs. 4 and 5. The proposed corrections have been made in red. Upon approval of the proposed drawing corrections and issuance of the Notice of Allowance, formal drawings including the corrections will be submitted.

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